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ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEENTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1991 AT 6:00 P.M. IN H-769, SIR GEORGE WILLIAMS CAMPUS

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson, Ian St. Maurice, called this meeting to order at 6:25 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

CO-PRESIDENTS

Stuart Letovsky
Tammy Powell

ARTS AND SCIENCE

Hernani Farias
Bishara Hilal
David Schwalb

COMMERCE

Karen Cox
Jennifer Kalman
Katherine Kruse

ENGINEERING

Jarno Makkonen
Duen Lup Tsui

ABSENT

Arts and Science: Sandra Branker, Ann-Marie Clarke, Ariel Deluy, Melodie Sullivan
Commerce: Thomas Dowd(w/r), Micheal Drolet,
Fine Arts: George Liem

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION

Be It Resolved That the Agenda of the 119th meeting of the Board of Directors be approved.

moved by: H. Farias
seconded by: B. Hilal

Discussion:
J. Makkonen requested that at 7:55 p.m. the Board recess for 5 minutes and that at 8:00 p.m. the meeting resume. He said that the lawyer has requested that the Board consider a motion regarding the declaratory judgement in order to proceed with this issue.

The Chair reads this motion. It was seconded by H. Farias.

J. Makkonen said that in respect to this motion, it is necessary that the Board pass it tonight in order to speed things up.

VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND **7 / 0 / 2** **CARRIED**

T. Powell presented a motion to be included under item 9.3, whereby S. Letovsky would be re-introduced as Co-President. J. Makkonen seconded this motion.

K. Cox said that this motion was brought forth to the Steering Committee meeting held in December and that it was defeated, and not put on the agenda.

T. Powell said that this was not the motion that was brought forth to the Steering Committee meeting.

J. Makkonen said that it would be wise to discuss this motion and for the Board to consider it again.

VOTE ON MOTION TO INCLUDE ITEM 9.3 **2 / 5 / 1** **FAILED**

H. Farias said that he would like to strike item 8.2 from the agenda. There was no seconder for this motion.

J. Makkonen said that items 9.1 and 9.2 should be changed to items 6.3 and 6.4. B. Hilal seconded this motion.

H. Farias said that ratifications of By-elections should not be included under reports. The Chair said that item 6.3 should cease to be reports.

VOTE ON MOTION TO INCLUDE ITEMS 6.3 AND 6.4	6 / 0 / 3	CARRIED
VOTE ON MOTION	7 / 1 / 1	CARRIED

4. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

The Chair had no remarks to make.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION

Be It Resolved That the minutes of the 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th and 118th meeting of the Board of Directors be approved.

moved by: H. Farias
seconded by: D. Schwalb

J. Makkonen said that in the minutes of the 115th meeting, under Co-Presidential Reports, there should be included S. Letovsky's resignation from the Board of Governors. This motion was seconded by K. Cox.

VOTE ON MOTION	7 / 0 / 2	CARRIED

6. REPORTS

6.1 Co-Presidents

T. Powell said that people are needed for a gender inclusive committee. She also said that the degree nomenclature is still looking for input from students.

T. Powell said that the Academic Orientation went very well and that it was done in conjuction with CUSA, CASA and the Dean of Students Office. She also said that the

Orientation and Priorities Conference will take place on January 20 and that she hopes it will be an improvement from last semester's session.

T. Powell welcomed the soon to be new directors and said that she hopes it will be a productive semester.

6.2 EXECUTIVES

J. Kalafatidis, V.P. Public Relations, said that the Blue Booth sessions that were held in November were a success and that over 150 students turned out. He also said that this event will continue every two weeks at different locations, such as the Fine Arts building and Loyola Campus.

J. Kalafatidis said that he is putting together a questionnaire composed of 50 questions that will be distributed to students, in order to get a better understanding of CUSA and how students feel about their student association.

M. Thompson, V. P. Liaison, said that his end of semester report has been distributed to the directors. He also said that the Liaison files are coming along very well and that most groups are complying with his requests and that as a consequence the group files are coming up to date.

M. Thompson said that he recommends that the new V. P. Liaison becomes an advisor or part of the Finance Committee, since this individual would be able to provide input to the committee when budgets are being set.

M. Thompson said that the meeting that took place in December, regarding the Centennial building, the University is slated to make all the renovations either before or immediately after reading week. He also said that T. Powell, S. Sloan and himself have been working on the Club Council Policy which will change the way that CUSA deals with clubs and associations. He also said that there is a temporary delay with it but that it would be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

M. Thompson said that he met with Judicial Board and that a lot was accomplished with them. He also said that the problems he had with distribution have been ironed out and that this is good news for clubs who have been waiting to have their service requests processed.

M. Thompson said that there will be a General Assembly meeting on January 15, 1991 for all clubs and associations at 4:30 p.m. in H-110, to discuss the Club Council Policy. He also said that he hopes to convince them of fixing a general election period whereby all

clubs would hold their elections at the same time.

M. Thompson said that he sent a letter to Dr. Giguere asking him if a by-law could be made whereby academic departments have their own academic associations in the future. He said that this would give CUSA more space but that he hasn't heard anything from him yet.

S. Sloan, V. P. Finance said that he received an invoice from Clegg Marketing regarding the mailout and that CUSA will end up paying 60% of the cost. He also said that his report has been distributed to the directors and that he hopes that they provide him with input.

6.3 Retroactive Ratification of By-Election Dates

Be It Resolved That the By-elections take place on December 3, 4, 5 1990.

moved by: T. Powell
seconded by: B. Hilal

H. Farias said that it is extremely abnormal in terms of CUSA's election procedures and that he hopes that in the future that Judicial Board brings decisions to the Board of Directors for ratification.

VOTE ON MOTION **4/0/5** CARRIED

6.4 Acceptance of CRO's Report

Be It Resolved That the Board of Directors accept the CRO's report.

moved by: T. Powell
seconded by: H. Farias

R. Douglas said that very few people voted as has been the case in previous years. He also said that there were a lot of people who withdrew before the elections got under way.

R. Douglas said that one person was disqualified since he failed to provide I.D. numbers for five names on his nomination sheet. He also said that as far as irregularities were

concerned three of them were severe: Two individuals voted twice and one individual voted three times. He also said that he conducted an investigation and that the overall results did not change due to this problem. R. Douglas suggested that in the future, CUSA should fine individuals who vote more than once. He also suggested that the election budget should be increased as well.

(D. Schwalb leaves at 6: 55 p.m.)

H. Farias pointed out to the Chair that he is by-passing the situation that exists in Roberts Rules of Order by not acknowledging the fact that quorum has been lost. He also said that it is the Chair's responsibility to call quorum. The Chair replied that he will continue with the meeting.

J. Makkonen said that he was surprised at the number of spoiled ballots and asked to know if it is standard or not. R. Douglas said that the polling clerks failing to initial the back of the ballot constitutes a spoiled ballot.

VOTE ON MOTION 1 / 1 / 5 FAILED

H. Farias said that approving motions without quorum can be overturned by anyone.

T. Powell called quorum.

This meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Ian St. Maurice, Chairperson

Helen Danakas, Secretary